STATE OF NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES DIVISION OF MEDICAL ASSISTANCE AND HEALTH SERVICES

MEDICAL EMERGENCY PAYMENT PROGRAM FOR ALIENS

Who may be eligible for payment of emergency services?

If you or your child(ren) are living in New Jersey, have had a recent medical emergency and are:

- 65 years of age or older, blind, or permanently disabled;
- Pregnant;
- Under 21 years of age; or
- A caretaker relative of children under 18 years of age,

and you are <u>not</u> eligible for <u>Medicaid or NJ FamilyCare-Plan A</u> because you do not meet U.S. citizenship / legal alien requirements for those programs, you or your children <u>may</u> be eligible for payment of certain emergency medical services through New Jersey Medicaid or NJ FamilyCare-Plan A. This includes, but is not limited to those individuals who:

- Have no documentation from the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Service (USCIS);
- Are a non-immigrant (tourist, student, or child of a worker or visitor on business); or
- Have permanent immigration status or other restricted immigration status but entered the United States on or after August 22, 1996, and you have not resided in the United States for 5 years

NOTE: See next page for information about possible eligibility for full Medicaid or NJ FamilyCare.

What are the financial eligibility limits?

You may be eligible for payment of emergency services if:

You are a member of a family with children under age 18 in the household; or you are under 21 and your total family income is below:			
Family Size	Monthly Income		
1	\$185		
2	\$369		
3	\$443		
4	\$507		
5	\$567		
6	\$624		

You are pregnant or if you are applying for a child under age 1 and your total family income is below:		You are applying for a child over the age of 1 but under the age of 19 and your total family income is below:	
Family Size	Monthly Income	Family Size	Monthly Income
			(NJ FamilyCare-Plan A Guidelines)
1	\$1,670	1	\$1,201
2	\$2,247	2	\$1,615
3	\$2,823	3	\$2,030
4	\$3,400	4	\$2,444
5	\$3,976	5	\$2,859
6	\$4,553	6	\$3,273

(There are **no** resource limits for applicants in these categories)

You are age 65 or over, blind or permanently disabled and your total monthly income and resources* are below			
Family Size	Monthly Income	Resources	
Single	\$ 903	\$4,000	
Couple	\$ 1,215	\$6,000	

Income limits effective January 1, 2009 through December 31, 2009

What kind of emergency services will this program cover?

This program will pay for emergency care given in a hospital for medical conditions that happen suddenly with severe symptoms that will cause a serious health problem if immediate medical attention is not provided.

For the purposes of this program, <u>all</u> labor and delivery services are considered emergency services and may be covered by this program if provided in <u>any</u> setting.

If your child(ren) receive care in a hospital (inpatient, outpatient or emergency room) and the condition meets the above criteria, the hospital, physicians' and other related costs (including ambulance service) may be paid by this program.

^{*}resources include money in bank accounts, stocks, bonds, property other than the home in which you live, etc.

How do I apply for Medical Emergency Payment Program for Aliens?

If you feel that you or your child(ren) qualify for payment of emergency services under this program, inform the hospital office staff that you wish to apply. Some hospitals have staff available to take the application. If not, the hospital staff can notify the county board of social services that you are interested in applying for the program, but you must follow up by contacting the county board of social services yourself to schedule an application interview. Please bring any bills that you received for the emergency medical condition with you to your county board of social services application interview. An application must be made within 3 months of the date of the emergency for that emergency to be covered by this program.

If your emergency involved labor and delivery services not performed in a hospital setting, you also may apply at the county board of social services, but you must have bills indicating labor and delivery charges.

After being treated for a medical emergency, you may apply for the Medical Emergency Payment Program for Aliens at the county board of social services in your county:

Atlantic County Department of Economic Assistance & Community Development Division of Economic Assistance P.O. Box 869 - 1333 Atlantic Avenue Atlantic City, NJ 08401	Gloucester County Board of Social Services 400 Hollydell Drive Sewell, NJ 08080-9318	Ocean County Board of Social Services P.O. Box 547 - 1027 Hooper Avenue Toms River, NJ 08754
(609) 348-3100 Bergen County Board of Social Services 216 Route 17 North 17 Park Office Center, Bldg. A Rochelle Park, NJ 07662-3300	(609) 582-9200 Hudson County Division of Social Services John F. Kennedy Office Building 100 Newkirk Street Jersey City, NJ 07306	(732) 349-1500 Passaic County Board of Social Services 80 Hamilton Street Paterson, NJ 07505-2057
(201) 368-4200 Burlington County Board of Social Services Human Services Facility 795 Woodlane Road Mount Holly, NJ 08060-3316	(201) 420-3000 Hunterdon County Division of Social Services Community Services Center 6 Gauntt Place Flemington, NJ 08822	(973) 881-0100 Salem County Board of Social Services 147 South Virginia Avenue Penns Grove, NJ 08876
(609) 261-1000 Camden County Board of Social Services County Administration Building 600 Market Street Camden, NJ 08101-2798	(908) 788-1300 Mercer County Board of Social Services P.O. Box 1450 - 200 Woolverton Street Trenton, NJ 08650	(609) 299-7200 Somerset County Board of Social Services P.O. Box 936 - 73 East High Street Somerville, NJ 08876
(609) 225-8800 Cape May County Board of Social Services Social Services Building 4005 Route 9 South Rio Grande, NJ 08242-1911 (609) 886-6200	(609) 989-4320 Middlesex County Board of Social Services P.O. Box 509 181 How Lane - Route 27 New Brunswick, NJ 08903 (732) 745-3500	(908) 526-8800 Sussex County Division of Social Services 83 Spring Street P.O. Box 218 Newton NJ 07860-0218 (973) 383-3600
Cumberland County Board of Social Services 13 North East Boulevard Vineland, NJ 08360-3607 (609) 691-4600	Monmouth County Division of Social Services P.O. Box 3000 - Kozloski Road Freehold, NJ 07728 (732) 431-6000	Union County Division of Social Services 342 Westminster Avenue Elizabeth, NJ 07208-3290 (908) 965-2700
Essex County Department of Citizen Services Division of Welfare 18 Rector Street - 9th floor Newark, NJ 07102 (973) 733-3000	Morris County Office of Temporary Assistance 340 West Hanover P.O. Box 900 Morristown, NJ 07963-0900 (973) 326-7800	Warren County Division of Temporary Assistance and Social Services Court House Annex P.O. Box 3000 - Second & Hardwick Streets Belvidere, NJ 07823

You might qualify for full Medicaid or NJ FamilyCare coverage if:

- you are a lawful permanent resident residing in the U.S. for at least 5 years,
- you are a child with legal permanent status under age 19,
- or if you are:
 - a refugee
 - an asylee
 - ♦ a Cuban/Haitian entrant
 - an alien whose deportation is being withheld by the INS
- on active duty in the U.S. military
- a spouse or unmarried child of a member of the U.S. military
- an honorably discharged U.S. military veteran or his/her unmarried child
- an Amerasian immigrant
- a legal alien who is a victim of domestic violence where there is a substantial connection between the battery or cruelty that was suffered and the need for Medicaid or NJ FamilyCare benefits, but not until <u>5</u> <u>years</u> after entering the U.S.
- Certain American Indians born in Canada are treated the same as a U.S. citizen for purposes of Medicaid / NJ FamilyCare eligibility.

If you or your child(ren) meet any of the listed categories, and meet the age or disability and financial guidelines, call the county board of social services where you live (listed above) to receive more information and/or to schedule an application appointment.

For children with legal permanent status under age 19, you may call 1-800-701-0710 toll-free to receive more information about NJ FamilyCare or to request an application.